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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
REQUEST FOR FILING APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b)
WITHOUT FILING FEE AND/OR WITHOUT EXECUTED INVENTOR'S DECLARATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Atty. Dkt. 900-408

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Sir:

This is a request for filing a new PATENT APPLICATION under Rule 53(b) entitled:
METHOD OF MANUFACTURING SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE
without a filing fee and/or without an executed inventor's oath/declaration.

This application is made by the below identified inventor(s). Attached hereto are the following papers:

- ☐ Newly executed Declaration, ☐ Copy of Declaration from prior application, ☒ Abstract
26 pages of specification and claims (including 7 numbered claims), and
8 sheets of accompanying drawing/s.
☐ Record the attached assignment and return to the undersigned.
☐ Attached is a Power of Attorney.
☒ Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on the following foreign applications:

Application Number
2000-354213

Country
Japan

Day/Month/Year Filed
21 November 2000

- ☒ , respectively, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application..
☒ Certified copy(ies) of foreign application(s) is/are attached.
☐ Certified copy(ies) filed on _____ in prior application no. _____ filed _____
☐ It is hereby requested that the Examiner consider the art cited in the above parent application(s) by applicant and/or the Examiner for the reasons stated therein. A listing of that art is attached, but pursuant to Rule 98(d) copies are not required.
☐ Applicant claims "small entity" status. ☐ "Small entity" statement attached.
☐ Please enter the attached and/or below preliminary amendment **prior** to calculation of filing fee:

- ☒ Also attached: ☒ Information Disclosure Statement; ☐ Non-Publication Request; ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission; ☐ Statement deleting Inventor(s) named in prior application; ☐ Other:

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☐ See attached sheet(s) for additional inventor(s) information!!

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